

# County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Headquarters 4700 Ramona Boulevard Monterey Park, California 91754-2169



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February 19, 2013

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# APPROVAL FOR AGREEMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF PERSONNEL COSTS BY THE ASSOCIATION FOR LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFFS, INCORPORATED (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

Approval of an agreement with the Association for Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs, Incorporated (ALADS), to reimburse the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) for release time of ALADS executives.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Approve the Agreement for Reimbursement of Personnel Costs by ALADS (Agreement), which has been approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 2. Instruct the Sheriff to carry out the terms of the Agreement and to bill ALADS for costs incurred pursuant to the Agreement.
- 3. Approve and instruct the Sheriff to sign the Agreement.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to allow the Department and ALADS to function in the most effective manner possible as a public sector labor organization. In doing so, this Agreement will assist in the resolution of labor disputes and contract administration, which will contribute significantly toward maintaining work force stability and continuity of vital police services to Los Angeles County (County).

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended Agreement supports the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, and Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery, which will enable the Department and ALADS to assist in the resolution of labor disputes and contract administration, thus facilitating work force stability and continuity of vital police services to the County. This Agreement will maximize the effectiveness of the County's operations by minimizing costs to the Department by providing reimbursement for release time of public sector labor organization executives.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

None.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Department, with the concurrence of the Chief Executive Officer, has negotiated an agreement with ALADS whereby two deputy sheriffs (regardless of rank) designated by the ALADS' Board of Directors will assist the management of the Department in the resolution of labor disputes. The deputies will work full time in this capacity, and their actual costs shall be reimbursed to the Department by ALADS. No more than two deputy sheriffs will be permitted to function in this capacity at any time.

This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This contract has been renewed routinely since April 17, 1986.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

None.

# **CONCLUSION**

Upon the Board's approval, please return three copies of the adopted Board letter and two original contracts to the Department's Bureau of Labor Relations and Compliance.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA

Sheriff

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**Enclosures** 

# AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE ASSOCIATION FOR LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFFS, INC. FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF PERSONNEL COSTS

This Agreement, entered this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2013, by and between the County of Los Angeles, a body corporate and politic, organized and existing under the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "County," and the Association for Los Angeles Deputy Sheriff's, Inc., a certified employee organization organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "ALADS."

WHEREAS, the Sheriff or County is charged with the duty to organize its operations so as to give the County efficient and effective police services pursuant to Section 29, Article VIII, of the Charter of the County of Los Angeles, and toward that end, must make all reasonable efforts to promote labor peace and work force stability within the scope of authority, and to maintain the continuity of vital police services to the County.

WHEREAS, ALADS is desirous of organizing the operations of its association so as to function in the most effective manner possible as a public sector labor organization, and in so doing, assist in the resolution of labor disputes and contract administration which, in turn, will contribute significantly toward maintaining work force stability and continuity of vital police services to the County.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein:

# 1. Work Statement

The County, through its Sheriff, shall provide one or more Deputy Sheriffs hereinafter when requested, in writing, by the ALADS Board of Directors for the purpose of developing expertise in public sector labor relations, and therefore, to assist the Sheriff's Department in the expeditious resolution of labor disputes.

The Deputy Sheriffs so selected shall be designated by the ALADS Board of Directors and shall serve at its pleasure for a minimum of one-year increments or in the event of exigent circumstances, a lesser period.

## 2. Scope of Agreement

The scope of this agreement shall be limited to the service of no more than the equivalent of three full-time duly sworn and compensated regular Deputy Sheriffs at any time.

#### 3. Payment

A. Except as provided herein, ALADS will pay to the County the actual costs of duly sworn and compensated regular Deputy Sheriff personnel as required under the terms of this agreement, including the salary, any bonuses, uniform allowance, cash reimbursement for unused sick leave, and any excess accrued vacation time above 320 hours (deemed payable) of the Deputy Sheriffs, their staff benefits,

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including but not limited to employee's retirement, health, life and dental insurance, Worker's Compensation benefits at such rates as shall be determined by the County's Auditor-Controller to be the actual costs thereof in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the County's Board of Supervisors. It is contemplated that such actual costs, determined by the County's Auditor-Controller, may increase after the date of execution of this agreement by any amendments to the County of Los Angeles Salary or other ordinance relating to salaries and employee benefits or to the Memorandum of Understanding between the parties relating to salaries and employee benefits.

- B. County shall render to ALADS at the end of each calendar month an invoice covering costs pursuant to this Agreement during said month and ALADS shall pay County thereof within 30 days of the date of such statement.
- C. If such payment is not delivered to the County Office, which is described on said statement, within 60 days after the date of the statement, the County may satisfy such indebtedness from any funds of ALADS on deposit with the County without giving further notice to ALADS of County's intention to do so. If such payment is not made within the 60 days, an interest rate of 1 and one-half percent per month on the unpaid balance will be levied.

# 4. <u>Term of Agreement</u>

The term of Agreement shall be from July 1, 2011, through and including the last day of June 2014.

#### 5. <u>Termination</u>

ALADS may terminate this agreement as of the first day of the following month upon notice, in writing, to the other party of not less than ten days, prior thereto.

# 6. Responsibility for Direct Payment of Salaries

Except as specifically provided herein, ALADS shall not be called upon to assume any liability for the direct payment of any salaries, wages, or other compensation to any personnel of the County performing service hereunder or any liability other than that provided for in this Agreement.

#### 7. <u>Independent Contract</u>

Both the County and ALADS, in the performance of this Agreement, will be acting in an independent capacity and not as agents, employees, volunteers, partners, joint ventures, or associates of one another.



## 8. <u>Liability</u>

ALADS shall be liable for any damages proximately resulting from the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of the duly sworn and compensated regular Deputy Sheriff personnel provided pursuant to the terms of this Agreement while engaged in services within the scope of this Agreement, and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold County, its agents, officers, and employees harmless from any liability resulting from anything done or omitted to be done by such personnel provided pursuant to the terms of this Agreement while engaged in services within the scope of this Agreement.

ALADS shall not be liable for any damages proximately resulting from any lawful conduct committed by sworn personnel provided pursuant to the terms of this Agreement when said personnel are acting under the authority of Penal Code Section 830.1.

# 9. Extent of Services Provided and Discipline of Personnel

- A. Except as specifically set forth herein, the duly sworn and compensated regular Deputy Sheriff personnel provided shall have the same basic responsibilities with respect to law enforcement in general as are customarily held by Deputy Sheriffs under the statutes of this State.
- B. The standards of performance, the discipline of personnel, and other matters incident to the performance of any law enforcement functions shall remain in the County with the Sheriff.

#### 10. Notice of Suit

ALADS shall give County, or its representatives, immediate notice of any suit or action filed, and prompt notice of any claim made against ALADS arising out of performance of this Agreement. ALADS shall furnish immediately to County copies of all pertinent papers received by ALADS.

# 11. <u>Contract Complete/Variations</u>

This writing embodies the whole of the Agreement of the parties hereto and there are no oral agreements not contained therein. No addition or variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both parties.

# 12. Reassignment Preference

Any Deputy Sheriff, assigned to duties under this Agreement, shall upon completion of such assignment, return to the unit of assignment that he/she last held, provided a vacancy exists, unless he/she chooses to accept a different assignment.

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# 13. Compliance with County Lobbyist Ordinance

Each County lobbyist as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of any County lobbyist retained by Contractor to fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

# 14. Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is available on the Internet at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a> for printing purposes.

# 15. <u>Contractor's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to the Safely Surrendered</u> Baby Law

Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement on the day, month, and year first above written.

ASSOCIATION FOR LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFFS, INC.

BY

FLOYD R. HAYHURST, PRESIDENT

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

BY

LEROY D-BACA, SHERIFF

APPROVED AS TO FORM JOHN KRATTLI, COUNTY COUNSEL

BY

RICK BROUWER, PRINCIPAL DEPUTY

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